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OPTICAL GLASS FOR POLARIZING

OPTICAL SYSTEM, PRODUCTION PROCESS THEREFOR AND

POLARIZING BEAM SPLITTER

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SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Hon. Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

For:

Prior to the examination of the subject application, please enter the following amendments and remarks:

In The Specification:

Page 34, lines 4-5, please replace equations (1) and (2) with the following:

$$--\lambda_1$$
, θ_1 ; nH_1 / $COS\theta H_1 = nL_1$ / $COS\theta L_1$

(1)--

$$--\lambda_2$$
, θ_2 ; $nH_2 / COS\theta H_2 = nL_2 / COS\theta L_2$

(2)--

In The Claims:

Please cancel claims 4 to 6 without prejudice and add new claims 7 to 16 as follows:

> --7. (New) A polarizing beam splitter comprising:

a light-transmissive substrate; and

a dielectric multilayer film disposed on the substrate, the dielectric multilayer film comprising, at least, a first dielectric multilayer film and a second dielectric multilayer film having two design reference wavelengths λ_1 and λ_2 , respectively, which are different from each other, each of the first and second dielectric multilayer films comprising: